REMARKS

Applicant respectfully requests the reconsideration of this application and the consideration of the following remarks.

Applicant thanks the examiner for pointing out that claims 9, 30, 51 and 72 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and an intervening claims.

Claims 1, 22, 43, 64, 86, 89, 91, 93 and 96 are currently amended to particularly point out and distinctly claim.

Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims are patentable over the prior art.

Please charge any shortages or credit any overages to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. Furthermore, if an extension is required, Applicant hereby requests such extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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